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SUBJECT: MESSAGES FROM THE CROWN PRINCE TO PRESIDENT BUSH
AND VICE PRESIDENT CHENEY ON FTA

1. (U) On September 15, 2004, post received letters of congratulations from Crown Prince Salman bin Hamad Al-Khalifa to President Bush and Vice President Cheney on the signing of the U.S.-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement. Original documents are being sent by pouch to the desk.

2. (U) Begin text of letter to the President:

15th September 2004

Dear Mr. President,

It is with pleasure that I extend my congratulations on behalf of the people of the Kingdom of Bahrain on the occasion of the signing of the Free Trade Agreement between our two countries.

This historic moment is a testament to our two nations' outstanding commitment to economic liberalization, reform and democracy. We look forward to the further strengthening of this partnership.

With warm personal wishes,

Salman bin Hamad Al-Khalifa
Crown Prince and Commander-in-Chief
of the Bahrain Defence Force

End text of letter to the President.

3. (U) Begin text of letter to the Vice President:

15th September 2004

Dear Mr. Vice President,

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End text of letter to the Vice President.

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